



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Tomonari YAMAMOTO**

Art Unit: **2826**

Application Number: **10/083,684**

Examiner: **Fazli Erdem**

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For: **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF**

Attorney Docket Number: **020254**

Customer Number: **38834**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2007. The response date having been extended by one month to April 13, 2008 (Sunday) by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith.

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